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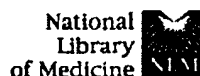
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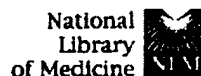
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## Protein thermostability in extremophiles.

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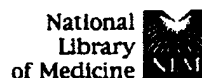
Dipartimento di Scienze Biochimiche A.Rossi-Fanelli Universita La Sapienza, Rome, Italy.

Thermostability of a protein is a property which cannot be attributed to the presence of a particular amino acid or to a post synthetic modification. Thermostability seems to be a property acquired by a protein through many small structural modifications obtained with the exchange of some amino acids and the modulation of the canonical forces found in all proteins such as electrostatic (hydrogen bonds and ion-pairs) and hydrophobic interactions. Proteins produced by thermo and hyperthermophilic microorganisms, growing between 45 and 110 degrees C are in general more resistant to thermal and chemical denaturation than their mesophilic counterparts. The observed structural resistance may reflect a restriction on the flexibility of these proteins, which, while allowing them to be functionally competent at elevated temperatures, renders them unusually rigid at mesophilic temperatures (10-45 degrees C). The increased rigidity at mesophilic temperatures may find a structural determinant in increased compactness. In thermophilic proteins a number of amino acids are often exchanged. These exchanges with some strategic placement of proline in beta-turns give rise to a stabilization of the protein. Mutagenesis experiments have confirmed this statement. From the comparative analysis of the X-ray structures available for several families of proteins, including at least one thermophilic structure in each case, it appears that thermal stabilization is accompanied by an increase in hydrogen bonds and salt bridges. Thermostability appears also related to a better packing within buried regions. Despite these generalisations, no universal rules can be found in these proteins to achieve thermostability.

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## **Thermostabilization by proline substitution in an alkaline, liquefying alpha-amylase from *Bacillus* sp. strain KSM-1378.**

**Igarashi K, Ozawa T, Ikawakitayama K, Hayashi Y, Araki H, Endo K, Hagihara H, Ozaki K, Kawai S, Ito S.**

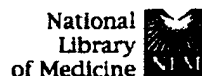
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alpha-Amylase (LAMY) from alkaliphilic *Bacillus* sp. strain KSM-1378 is a novel semi-alkaline enzyme which has 5-fold higher specific activity than that of a *Bacillus licheniformis* enzyme. The Arg124 in LAMY was replaced with proline by site-directed mutagenesis to increase thermostability of the enzyme. The wild-type and engineered LAMYS were very similar with respect to specific activity, kinetic values, pH-activity curve, and degree of inhibition by chelating reagents. Thermostability and structure stiffness of LAMYS as measured by fluorescence were increased by the proline substitution. The change of Arg124 to proline is assumed to stabilize the loop region involving amino acid residues from 122 to 134. This is the first report that thermostability of an alpha-amylase is improved by proline substitution.

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## Effect of introducing proline residues on the stability of *Aspergillus awamori*.

Li Y, Reilly PJ, Ford C.

Department of Zoology and Genetics, Iowa State University, Ames 50011, USA.

In *Aspergillus awamori* glucoamylase, Ala27, Ala393, Ala435, Ser436 and Ser460 were replaced with proline residues, in order to stabilize the enzyme by forming more rigid peptide backbones. Specific activities were unaffected except for a decrease in Ser460-->Pro glucoamylase. Thermostability was increased in Ser436-->Pro glucoamylase, unchanged in Ala435-->Pro glucoamylase and decreased in Ala27-->Pro, Ala393-->Pro glucoamylases. As measured by circular dichroism, mutant glucoamylases Ala435-->Pro and Ser436-->Pro resisted unfolding caused by guanidine hydrochloride at pH 4.5 and 25 degrees C better than wild-type glucoamylase, whereas mutant glucoamylases Ala27-->Pro, Ala393-->Pro and Ser460-->Pro were more susceptible to unfolding than wild-type glucoamylase, reaching a level of 50% unfolded enzyme at guanidine hydrochloride concentrations 0.50-0.75 M lower than that of the wild-type enzyme. Mutations Ala435-->Pro and Ser436-->Pro are located in a non-regular structure, which is assumed to be stabilized by these mutations. The Ala27-->Pro residue is partially buried, which may result in unfavorable steric contact and/or regional strains; mutation Ala393-->Pro results in loss of a hydrogen bond, since the N of the proline residue does not have an extra hydrogen to act as donor; and mutation Ser480-->Pro eliminates an O-glycosylation site, which could explain how these mutations destabilized glucoamylase.

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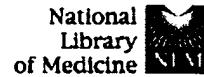
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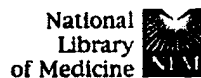
## Mutant barley (1-->3,1-->4)-beta-glucan endohydrolases with enhanced thermostability.

Stewart RJ, Varghese JN, Garrett TP, Hoj PB, Fincher GB.

Department of Plant Science, University of Adelaide, Waite Campus, Glen Osmond, SA 5064, Biomolecular Research Institute, 343 Royal Parade, Parkville, Vic 3052.

The similar three-dimensional structures of barley (1-->3)-beta-glucan endohydrolases and (1-->3,1-->4)-beta-glucan endohydrolases indicate that the enzymes are closely related in evolutionary terms. However, the (1-->3)-beta-glucanases hydrolyze polysaccharides of the type found in fungal cell walls and are members of the pathogenesis-related PR2 group of proteins, while the (1-->3,1-->4)-beta-glucanases function in plant cell wall metabolism. The (1-->3)-beta-glucanases have evolved to be significantly more stable than the (1-->3,1-->4)-beta-glucanases, probably as a consequence of the hostile environments imposed upon the plant by invading microorganisms. In attempts to define the molecular basis for the differences in stability, eight amino acid substitutions were introduced into a barley (1-->3,1-->4)-beta-glucanase using site-directed mutagenesis of a cDNA that encodes the enzyme. The amino acid substitutions chosen were based on structural comparisons of the barley (1-->3)- and (1-->3,1-->4)-beta-glucanases and of other higher plant (1-->3)-beta-glucanases. Three of the resulting mutant enzymes showed increased thermostability compared with the wild-type (1-->3,1-->4)-beta-glucanase. The largest increase in stability was observed when the histidine at position 300 was changed to a proline (mutant H300P), a mutation that was likely to decrease the entropy of the unfolded state of the enzyme. Furthermore, the three amino acid substitutions which increased the thermostability of barley (1-->3,1-->4)-beta-glucanase isoenzyme EII were all located in the COOH-terminal loop of the enzyme. Thus, this loop represents a particularly unstable region of the enzyme and could be involved in the initiation of unfolding of the (1-->3,1-->4)-beta-glucanase at elevated temperatures.

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## Increasing the thermostability of D-xylose isomerase by introduction of a proline into the turn of a random coil.

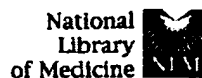
Zhu GP, Xu C, Teng MK, Tao LM, Zhu XY, Wu CJ, Hang J, Niu LW, Wang YZ.

Department of Molecular Biology and Cell Biology and The Key Lab of Structural Biology, USTC, CAS, School of Life Science, University of Science and Technology of China, Hefei, Anhui 230026, China.

Thermostability can be increased by introducing prolines at suitable sites in target proteins. Two single (G138P, G247D) mutants and one double (G138P/G247D) mutant of xylose isomerase from *Streptomyces diastaticus* No.7, strain M1033 have been constructed by site-directed mutagenesis. With respect to the wild-type enzyme, G138P showed about a 100% increase in thermostability, and G247D showed an increased catalytic activity. Significantly, the double mutant, G138P/G247D displayed even higher activity than G247D and better heat stability than G138P. Its half life was about 2.5-fold greater than the wild-type enzyme, using xylose as a substrate. Molecular modelling suggested that the introduction of a proline residue in the turn of a random coil may cause the surrounding conformation to be tightened by reducing the backbone flexibility. The change in thermostability can, therefore, be explained based on changes in the molecular rigidity. Furthermore, the improvements in the properties of the double mutant indicated that the advantages of two single mutants can be combined effectively.

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## Structure and expression of a gene coding for thermostable alpha-glucosidase with a broad substrate specificity from *Bacillus* sp. SAM1606.

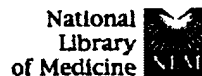
Nakao M, Nakayama T, Kakudo A, Inohara M, Harada M, Omura F, Shibano Y.

Institute for Biomedical Research, Suntory Ltd., Osaka, Japan.

We cloned an alpha-glucosidase gene from thermophilic *Bacillus* sp. SAM1606 to overexpress it in *Escherichia coli* transformants. Deletion of the 5'-noncoding region as well as expression of the alpha-glucosidase gene under the control of the *icp* promoter of the insecticidal crystal protein gene from *Bacillus thuringiensis* subsp. *sotto* enhanced the enzyme productivity to 23.5 U/ml, which was 12,000-fold higher than that obtained by the strain SAM1606. The open reading frame corresponding to the alpha-glucosidase encoded 587 amino acid residues including a residue coded by the initiation codon TTG, and the molecular mass of the alpha-glucosidase from N-terminal serine was calculated to be 68,886 Da. Sequence analysis revealed that the SAM1606 alpha-glucosidase belonged to the alpha-amylase family. The SAM1606 alpha-glucosidase showed extremely high sequence identity (62-65%) to the *Bacillus cereus* and *Bacillus thermoglucosidasius* oligo-1,6-glucosidases, which were 72% identical to each other. Sequence identity in the suggested active site regions were essentially the same (80-82%) among these three enzymes. However, the substrate specificity of the SAM1606 alpha-glucosidase was significantly different from those of the oligo-1,6-glucosidases. The thermostability of these three alpha-glucosidases could be correlated with the increase in the number of proline residues, whose occurrence was predicted at beta turns and coils in the enzymes.

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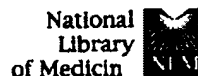
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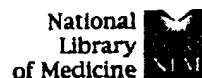
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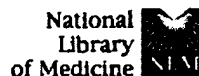
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